

Remarks

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed April 14, 2007 in the captioned patent application.

The claims have been amended to incorporate Applicant's election made April 2, 2007 responsive to the Examiner's telephone call, and as memorialized on page 2 of the pending Office Action. Non-elected subject matter has been canceled, including certain subject matter in claim 1, and claims 9-12.

The claims have been further amended to address the Examiner's comments and concerns outlined in the pending office action. Claim 4 has been amended to correct punctuation. Claim 5 has been amended to put the claim in proper form. Claims 7 and 8 have been canceled, obviating the §112, first paragraph rejection.

In view of the above remarks, it is believed that all grounds for rejection and objection to the claims have been addressed. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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